REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL Addendum # 1



Department Of Executive Services Finance and Business Operations Division **Procurement and Contract Services Section** 206-684-1681 TTY RELAY: 711

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RFP Title: Children's Crisis Outreach Response System

King County Department of Community & Human Services -Requesting Dept./ Div.:

MHCADSD

RFP Number: 100-05CMB

Due Date: February 10, 2005 - 2:00 P.M.

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This addendum is issued to revised the original Request for Proposal, dated January 6, 2005 as follows:

1. The proposal opening date remains the same: Thursday, February 10, 2005 no later than 2:00 p.m. exactly.

2. The sign in sheet from the January 18, 2005 pre-proposal conference is available by contacting Cathy Betts at cathy.betts@metrokc.gov. Please include your FAX number.

The following information items were discussed at the pre-proposal conference:

To Clarify:

Portions of this service system were modeled off of the New Jersey Department of Human Services Division of Child Behavioral Health Services Mobile Response & Stabilization Services. You may find more information about it at the following website: https://www.njkidsoc.org/.

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TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR AWARD OF A CONTRACT, THIS ADDEMDUM MUST BE SIGNED AND SUBMITTED TO KING COUNTY

Sealed proposals will only be received by:

King County Procurement Services Section, Exchange Building, 8th floor, 821 Second Avenue, Seattle, WA 98104-1598. Office hours: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday - Friday

Company Name		
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Signature	Authorized Representative/Title	
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This Request for Proposal – Addendum will be provided in alternative formats such as Braille, large print, audiocassette or computer disk for individuals with disabilities upon request.

The following information is provided in response to questions received:

- Q1: On page 11 it states, "d. Each home serves no more than one or two children at any one time." Is this a maximum of 1-2 children through this contract, or a maximum of 1-2 children through any combination of contracts? (For example, if a foster parent was licensed for 4 children, they could conceivably have 2 foster children living in the home, and 2 Crisis Stabilization and Planned Respite Beds available.)
- A1: The goal of the Crisis Outreach Response System (CORS) is to provide flexible and easily accessible care for children and youth in crisis. Furthermore, the model promotes a home-like environment to place children and youth that are dealing with a crisis that requires out of home placement. We are trying to move away from both a group care model and facility-based services. Additionally, we do not want factors such as a child's age, gender, or behavioral or emotional problems/acuity level to preclude a child from obtaining the services he/she needs.
 - To that end, the proposal should detail the agency's plan to ensure capacity to meet the individual needs of children and youth accessing this service while maintaining the integrity of the model. The County is open to varying ways of ensuring this capacity and would not necessarily limit the number of children in a home. However, when crisis stabilization beds are located in homes with multiple children, the proposal should detail how the agency will ensure the health and safety needs of all the children in the home as well as make certain the caregiver(s) possess the necessary skills to manage the number of children in the home, including children in acute crisis.
- Q2: Has there ever been a lawsuit or settlement against King County or a private agency that has occurred as a result of work performed through this contract?
- A2: This is a brand new contract and new model of service delivery for King County. As far as we know, there has not been a lawsuit or settlement against King County or a private agency in King County as a result of this model of service or other crisis intervention services.
- Q3: Under Section II, Part 5 SCOPE OF WORK, B., Eligible Population, Item 6: Crisis Stabilization and Planned Respite Beds (CSBs), line item d., you state -
 - "Each home serves no more than one to two children or youth at any one time."
 - Please clarify this: can there be more than 1 or 2 children in a home- other foster children or other children?
- A3: See answer to Question 1 above.